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“OMAK RESIDENT ARRESTED FOR MAKING CHILD PORN”

Spokane – Today, James A. McDevitt, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Washington, announced that a federal grand jury returned a four count indictment against Scott Dean Brown, age 32. Scott Dean Brown, aka Scotty, was arrested by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents at his home located at 62B North Kirkpatrick Road, Omak, Washington, on May 1, 2006. He has been detained since then, pending the grand jury’s decision.

The indictment charges Scott Dean Brown with two counts of producing child pornography by using two different female children, one count of transporting child pornography over the internet, and one count of possessing child pornography. The Indictment also seeks the forfeiture of two computers, a digital camera and computer accessories.

James A. McDevitt, U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Washington, said, “Those in our society that prey on innocent children will be brought to justice. As useful as the Internet may be to most of us, we should all be aware of the multitude of criminal enterprises which the Internet can facilitate.”

“ICE will continue to dedicate its investigative resources to identify and prosecute those individuals who are intent on facilitating the exploitation of children through the production and collection of child pornographic materials” said Leigh H. Winchell, Seattle ICE Special Agent-in-Charge of Investigations.

A conviction for producing child pornography carries a minimum penalty of not less than 15 years in prison and a maximum penalty of 30 years in prison, a \$250,000 fine, up to a life period of court supervision after release. A conviction for transporting child pornography carries a minimum penalty of not less than 5 years in prison and a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison, a \$250,000 fine, up to a life period of court supervision after release. A conviction for possessing child pornography carries a maximum penalty of up to 10 years in prison, a \$250,000 fine, up to a life period of court supervision after release.

The continuing investigation of this case is being conducted by the Okanogan County Sheriff's Office and ICE. This case is being prosecuted by Stephanie Lister, Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Washington.

An Indictment Contains Allegations That a Defendant Has Committed a Crime. Every Defendant Is Presumed Innocent until and Unless Proven Guilty Beyond a Reasonable Doubt.

****Law enforcement is seeking the assistance of the public in locating children that may have had inappropriate contact with the Scott Dean Brown (see accompanying photograph). If you have any information, please contact the Okanogan County Sheriff's Office dispatcher at 1-800-572-6604. ****

